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Box PATENT APPLICATION

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Re: New U.S. Patent Application

Title: USE OF COLORED METAL BINDING PROTEINS

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 29 pages, including nine independent claims and 35 claims total.
2. Drawings - Four sheets of formal drawing (Figures 1-3).
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Sequence Listing and Statement to Support Filing and Submission in Accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825.
5. Computer Readable Copy of Sequence Listing
6. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to TIBOTEC, N.V.
7. A check for \$1450.00 representing a \$690.00 filing fee, \$720.00 for additional claims, and \$40.00 for recording the Assignment.

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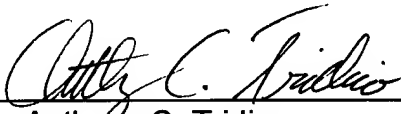
Applicant claims the right to priority based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60/147,339 filed August 6, 1999.

Please accord this application a serial number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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